s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v309)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=840, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{33}{40}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S = 840 + 824 + 808.3 + 792.89 + 777.79 + 762.97 + 748.43 + 734.17 + 720.18 + 706.46$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 824 + 808.3 + 792.89 + 777.79 + 762.97 + 748.43 + 734.17 + 720.18 + 706.46 + 693$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 6 + 6(8) + 6(8)^{2} + 6(8)^{3} + \cdots + 6(8)^{55} + 6(8)^{56} + 6(8)^{57} + 6(8)^{58}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.